GOVRTNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014 – State Election Commission – Bifurcation of Posts, Employees, Assets, etc., between Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission and Telangana State Election Commission– Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (ELECTIONS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No .68 **Date:01.07.2015**

Read the following:-

1. A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014 (Central Act No. 6 of 2014).
2. Minutes of the Meeting held between the Secretaries of Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission and Telangana State Election Commission dated 02.01.2015.
3. From Secretary, APSEC Letter No.446/SEC-Ad.A/2014, dated 03.01.2015.

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ORDER:

The State Election Commission is a body constituted under Articles 243K and 243ZA of the Constitution of India and Section 200 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 for superintendence, direction and control of preparation of electoral rolls for and conduct of all elections to Local Bodies in the State.

The A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014 came into force from the Appointed Day (i.e., 02.06.2014). The State Election Commission of undivided State continued to exercise jurisdiction over the two States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana till 26.09.2014 on the strength of Memo No.10411-Incl/SR/A1/2014, dated 15.05.2014 issued by the-then Chief Secretary to Government to continue to provide services to both the States as it was recommended to the Government of India to include the State Election Commission in the Tenth Schedule under Section 75(2) of the A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014. The Governor of Telangana constituted a State Election Commission for the State of Telangana under Article 243K of the Constitution of India and Section 200 of adapted Telangana Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 vide Notification dated 27.09.2014. In view of this development, the area of operation of the Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission is restricted to the local bodies located in 13 districts of Andhra Pradesh from 27.09.2014.

In the meeting held between the Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission (APSEC) and the Secretary, Telangana State Election Commission (TSEC) on 02.01.2015, the details of distribution of posts, employees, office space, land, vehicles, movable assets, files, etc., between the two State Election Commissions was worked out by mutual agreement as per the guidelines issued by the General Administration (SR) Department taking the population ratio (AP 58.32 : T 41.68) into consideration and the Minutes of the Meeting were recorded and communicated in the reference 2nd read above. Accordingly, the Secretary, A.P. State Election Commission has submitted a proposal in the reference 3rd read above.

The bifurcation proposal worked out by the Secretaries of APSEC and TSEC was approved by the Government of Telangana and also the General Administration (SR) Department.

Government after careful examination of proposal hereby issue the following orders on distribution of posts, tentative allocation of employees, office space, land, vehicles, movable assets, files, etc., between the APSEC and TSEC.

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A. Distribution of Posts between APSEC and TSEC:

The State Election Commission of combined State has 74 sanctioned posts (excluding Secretary, which is a cadre post) in its permanent establishment as on 01.06.2014. Out of the 74 posts, 43 posts are allocated to APSEC and the remaining 31 posts are allocated to TSEC as per the population ratio of 58.32 : 41.68 prescribed in the A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014 vide G.O.Ms. No. 312, General Administration (SR) Department, dated 30.10.2014. The allocation of sanctioned posts between APSEC and TSEC is shown in Annexure-I appended to this order.

Tentative allocation of Employees between APSEC and TSEC:

There are three categories of employees working in the combined State Election Commission as on 01.06.2014. They are (i) Regular employees; (ii) Deputationists; and (iii) Outsourced personnel.

i) Tentative allocation of Regular employees:

There were 17 regular employees working in the State Election Commission of undivided State as on 01.06.2014. These employees are governed by A.P. State Election Commission Service Rules, 1999 issued under proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India. Out of these 17 regular employees, 10 employees are tentatively allocated to the APSEC and the remaining 7 are tentatively allocated to the TSEC as per the population ratio prescribed. However, their final allocation to either APSEC or TSEC shall be done separately following prescribed procedure. The names of the regular employees tentatively allocated between APSEC and TSEC are shown at Annexure-II appended to this order.

ii) Persons working on Deputation:

There were 8 employees working on deputation in the State Election Commission of the undivided State as on 01.06.2014 borne on local, district, zonal and multi-zonal cadres (including employees drafted from Director of Treasuries and Accounts for the Accounts wing) as shown in Annexure-I. They do not form part of the allocation process. Discretion is vested on the State Election Commission concerned to continue their services or to repatriate them depending upon their local status and consent of the parent department concerned. The four (4) employees belonging to local cadres of Telangana were relieved on expiry of their deputation period and some of them were already taken on deputation by TSEC.

iii) Outsourcing personnel:

The posts that are filled up on outsourcing basis are apportioned between the two States as shown in Annexure-I. Their continuation or otherwise of the persons working on outsourcing basis in these posts is the prerogative of the Commission concerned.

B. Office Space:

The TSEC is functioning from 5th Floor, DTCP Building, Opp. PTI Building, A.C. Guards, Hyderabad and the APSEC is functioning from its existing rented premises from 3rd Floor, Buddha Bhavan, M.G. Road, Secunderabad. As the newly constituted TSEC is functioning from its chosen location, the office space now being occupied by APSEC on rental basis shall be retained by APSEC.

C. <u>Land allotted for construction of Office building:</u>

A piece of Government land to an extent of Ac.1.00 in Sy.No.91 at Gachibowli Village in Serilingampally Mandal of Ranga Reddy District was allotted by the undivided State of Andhra Pradesh vide G.O.Ms.No.258, Revenue (Asn.V) Department, dated 21.2.2009 for construction of office building. A compound wall was constructed around it and a gate was erected with the funds released by the Government. As this land is located in the geographical area forming part of Telangana, it is allocated to the State of Telangana as per Section 48 of the A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014.

D. <u>Vehicles:</u>

The State Election Commissioner, Secretary, Joint Secretary, legal Advisor and Joint Directors are entitled for Government vehicles as per the rules and orders in force. There are five (5) Cars and one Motor Cycle (pool vehicle) owned by the State Election Commission of undivided State. They are distributed between APSEC and TSEC based on the population ratio and also as per the guidelines issued. The distribution of vehicles is shown in Annexure-III appended to this order.

E. <u>Movable assets:</u>

The movable assets such as Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), unassigned Computer Systems, Xerox Machines, unfixed Furniture, Stationery, etc., shall be distributed between APSEC and TSEC in the population ratio as per the guidelines issued by GA (SR) Department at a later date after the TSEC establishes its office in full shape at the new location.

F. <u>Files:</u>

The files shall be distributed between APSEC and TSEC as per the guidelines issued by the GA (SR) Department. The files to be provided to TSEC were already identified and segregated. They shall be handed over to the persons authorised by TSEC.

The budget allocated to the State Election Commission contains only administrative expenditure to run the office. The Commission is not generating any finances on its own. As such, no funds are standing in the name of the State Election Commission in any bank or financial institution as on Appointed Day.

The Secretary, APSEC shall take steps to relieve the regular employees allocated to the TSEC immediately. The vehicles, movable assets, files, etc., allocated to TSEC shall be handed over to them on a mutually convenient date.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Secretary, A.P. State Election Commission, Secunderabad.
The Secretary, Telangana State Election Commission, Hyderabad

Copy to:
The Principal Secretary, General Administration (SR) Department, Hyderabad.
The Principal Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj &Rural Development Department, Government of Telangana.

The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Panchayat Raj, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and Govt. of Telangana
The PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and Govt. of Telangana.
The P.S to Chief Secretary to Government, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh and Govt. of Telangana.

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ANNEXURE-I

ALLOCATION OF SANCTIONED POSTS BETWEEN APSEC AND TSEC

S.No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Posts		Vacant Posts		Posts filled up				Outsourcing Posts	
						Regular		Deputation			
	Permanent Posts	**AP**	**T**	**AP**	**T**	**AP**	**T**	**AP**	**T**	**AP**	**T**
1.	Legal Advisor	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.	Joint Secretary	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Joint Director	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
4.	Assistant Secretary	2	1	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-
5.	Law Officer	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.	System Analyst	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.	Accounts Officer	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
8.	Desk Officer / Section Officer	3	3	-	1	3	2*	-	-	-	-
9.	Private Secretary	2	1	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-
10.	Programmer	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
11.	Special Category Steno	3	2	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
12.	Senior Stenographer	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
13.	Senior Accountant	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
14.	Assistant Section Officer	4	3	1	-	1	1	2	2	-	-
15.	Data Entry Operator	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3
16.	Typist-cum-Assistant	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	Temporary Posts										
17.	Drivers	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
18.	Office Subordinates	9	6	-	-	1	1	-	-	8	5
19.	Record Assistant	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
20.	Roneo/Xerox Operator	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
21.	Watchman	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
22.	Sweepers	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		43	**31**	**10**	**7**	**10**	**7**	**4**	**4**	**19**	**13**
	TOTAL	**74**		**17**		**17**		**8**		**32**	

***** Smt. S. Mani, Desk Officer/Section Officer allotted to TSEC as per her local status was permitted to retire in pursuance of the orders of Hon'ble High Court dated 27.09.2014.

DR.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE-II

TENTATIVE ALLOCATION OF REGULAR EMPLOYEES BETWEEN APSEC AND TSEC

A.P. STATE ELECTION COMMISSION		
Sl. No.	**Name**	**Designation**
1	A.V. Satya Ramesh	Joint Secretary
2	G.V. Sai Prasad	Assistant Secretary
3	G. Gurumurthy	Assistant Secretary
4	A. Aruna Kumari	Private Secretary
5	P. Rama Rao	Private Secretary
6	M. Sam Babu	Desk Officer
7	K. Samba Murty	Desk Officer
8	M.R. Raja Sekhar	Desk Officer
9	L. Sasikala	Asst. Section Officer
10	Md. Sayeed Khan	Office Subordinate

TELANGANA STATE ELECTION COMMISSION		
Sl. No.	**Name**	**Designation**
1	N. Jayasimha Reddy	Joint Director
2	S. Vishnu Prasad	Assistant Secretary
3	V.V.L. Annapurna	Private Secretary
4	S. Mani	Desk Officer (Retired on 27.09.2014)
5	G. Vijaya Lakshmi	Desk Officer
6	J.V.Hanumantha Rao	Asst. Section Officer
7	P. Mallikharjun	Office Subordinate

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ANNEXURE-III

DISTRIBUTION OF VEHICLES BETWEEN APSEC AND TSEC

CARS

A.P. STATE ELECTION COMMISSION	
S.No.	**Vehicle No. and Make**
1	AP36J 9999 (Innova)
2	AP10BD 2222 (Tata Manza)
3	AP09BN 6900 (Tata Indica)

TELANGANA STATE ELECTION COMMISSION	
S.No.	**Vehicle No. and Make**
1	AP27M 999 (Ford Fiesta)
2	AP09BN 6990 (Tata Indigo)

MOTOR CYCLE

A.P. STATE ELECTION COMMISSION	
S.No.	**Vehicle No. and Make**
1	AP10BE 3361 (Bajaj Discover)

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